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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT: BRIEFING PAPERS/SCHEDULE

1. SECRETARY'S VISIT TO JAPAN IN CONNECTION WITH TRIP TO PEKING IS STILL IN PLANNING STAGES. INFORMATION IN THIS CABLE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. SECRETARY TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO SPEND NIGHT OF AUGUST 21 IN TOKYO PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR PEKING FOLLOWING DAY. PURPOSE OF INITIAL STOPOVER SIMPLY TO BREAK TRIP AND ALLOW PARTY TO REST BEFORE PROCEEDING TO PRC. INITIAL STOPOVER WOULD INVOLVE NO SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAM WITH JAPANESE.

2. SUBSTANTIVE PORTION OF VISIT WOULD OCCUR ON RETURN FROM PEKING AUGUST 26-28. PRESENT THINKING IS THAT SECRETARY AND PARTY (INCLUDING MRS. VANCE) WOULD ARRIVE HANEDA AFTERNOON OF AUGUST 26 (FRIDAY), DEPARTING MORNING OF AUGUST 28. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ALERTING GOJ TO THESE DATES, STRESS-
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SING THAT THEY ARE STILL TENTATIVE, AND DEVELOPING SUGGESTED SCHEDULE FOR VISIT (INCLUDING SEPARATE ACTIVITIES FOR MRS. VANCE). DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC DATA ON TIMES, MEMBERS OF PARTY ETC WHEN AVAILABLE, BUT IN MEANTIME, WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ROUGH SCHEDULE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. BUREAU IS ABOUT TO BEGIN PREPARATION OF BACKGROUND PAPERS ON FOLLOWING TOPICS FOR SECRETARY'S BRIEFING BOOK:

BILATERAL

- (A) JAPAN-INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION
- (B) US-JAPAN SECURITY RELATIONSHIP (INCLUDING DISCUSSION OF LABOR COST SHARING, AND OTHER MEANS OF SHARING DEFENSE COSTS)
- (C) NUCLEAR REPROCESSING
- (D) STATE OF THE ECONOMY
- (E) TRADE ISSUES

MULTILATERAL

- (A) TOKYO'S RELATIONS WITH PEKING/MOSCOW
- (B) JAPANESE ATTITUDES TOWARD US TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM ROK
- (C) JAPANESE ATTITUDES TOWARD US/PRC NORMALIZATION

PAST EMBASSY CONTRIBUTIONS TO BRIEFING PAPERS FOR HIGH LEVEL VISITS HAVE BEEN HIGHLY VALUED. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON THESE TOPICS (AND OTHERS THAT YOU MIGHT THINK RELEVANT) BY JULY 25. WE PLAN TO KEEP PAPERS BRIEF-- NO LONGER THAN TWO SINGLE SPACE TYPEWRITTEN PAGES, AND SHORTER IF POSSIBLE. VANCE

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